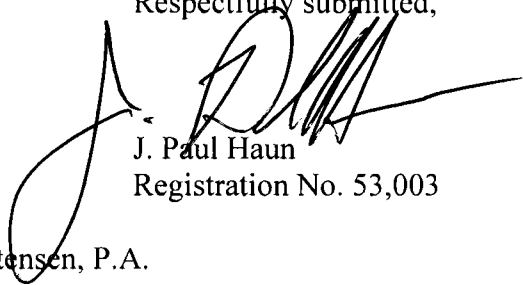


REMARKS

Claims 1-17, and 19-27 are pending. In response to the restriction requirement, claim 4 is cancelled. Claims 1 and 18 have been previously cancelled.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Paul Haun', is written over the typed name and registration number.

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